

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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The City has prepared a Final Public Review Draft of the City of San Diego General Plan. The draft General Plan provides policy guidance to balance the needs of a growing city while enhancing quality of life for current and future San Diegans. It provides a strategy, the City of Villages, for the City to enhance its many communities and neighborhoods as growth occurs over time. It presents ten elements that provide a comprehensive guide for the City of San Diego's growth over the next twenty plus years.

The Final Public Review Draft was released on October 25, 2006. It incorporates new policies to further implement City goals, and to be responsive to Land Use and Housing Committee, Planning Commission, Community Planners Committee, general public, and other stakeholders' comments gained through hundreds of meetings and communications. It represents the work of many, and it builds upon previous drafts that were released in April 2005, July 2005, and May 2006 (the May 2006 drafts were posted on the web as working drafts).

The draft General Plan is available on the City of San Diego's website at http://www.sandiego.gov/planning/genplan/draftfinal.shtml. It has also been published as a complete printed document, and in summary form as a folder that includes a printed overview of the General Plan together with a compact disc (CD) containing the complete document. Printed copies are available for review at all City libraries and community service centers, and at City Planning and Community Investment (CPCI) Department offices. Printed copies and the CD folders may also be purchased at CPCI offices, at a cost of \$10 per bound document and \$5 per CD folder.

As a part of the General Plan Update process, the City is preparing a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) based on the Final Public Review Draft General Plan. It is anticipated that the Draft PEIR will be distributed for public review in March 2007, that the Final PEIR will be printed in May 2007, and that City Council hearings will occur in June 2007. The public is invited to comment on the General Plan at the present time, or to wait for issuance of the Draft PEIR in order to provide policy comments in conjunction with environmental analysis comments. Public comments on the plan itself, and on the PEIR, will be taken into consideration by City staff and may result in changes to the draft General Plan document that is ultimately presented to the City Council for adoption. Please note that the Housing Element is under separate cover and was approved by the City Council on December 5, 2006.

Comments on the draft General Plan, or requests for presentations, should be directed to: Nancy Bragado, General Plan Program Manager, 202 C Street, MS 5A, San Diego, CA 92101, or nsbragado@sandiego.gov. Voice mail messages can be left on the General Plan Hotline at 619-235-5226.

Thank you for your interest.

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